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#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE PCT NATIONAL STAGE APPLICATION OF

GRASSBERGER ET AL.

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FOR: SYNERGISTIC COMBINATIONS OF MACROLIDE T-CELL

MODULATOR OR IMMUNOSUPPRESSANT AND A RETINOID

**MS: Amendment** 

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicants wish to call the Examiner's attention to the references cited on the attached form(s) PTO-1449.

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The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 form(s).

Respectfully submitted,

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